



Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

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Supplementary testimony (see also my letter of 2-22-00):

Truck Vehicles carrying high-level nuclear waste ^{and spent fuel} should always have escort vehicles, preferably before & after the trucks. In the event of an accident disabling or overturning the truck, and especially if the driver is injured or disabled, the escort vehicles can alert emergency response, rope off area and keep public separated from radiation hazards, and initiate rescue and cleanup in some cases. Even more important, these escort vehicles can help to prevent accidents by protecting the trucks with nuclear waste and helping to separate them from potential collisions or road hazards.

Limiting escort vehicles to urban areas is inadequate. Many accidents have occurred in rural areas which are more likely to involve poor road conditions & speeding.

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